SPECIAL NOTICES.

enjoy yourselves go to Federal City, No. 20, Melford Hall, 8th and I sts. n.e., on WEDNESDAY NIGHT, and witness the rendition of the third degree by their crack team on sixteen candidates from Amity Lodge, No. 27, of South Washington, A surprise is in store for all who attend, as the scouts are acting very strangely of late.

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G. H. BAXTER, Secy. SPIRITUALISM—J. H. ALITEMUS WILL HOLD A meeting THIS (TUENDAY) EVENING, Feb. 4, at Wonn's Hall, 721 6th st. n.w. Mr. Altemus has recovered from his recent illness. 1t*

READ "THE ROLL CALL OF THE REPUBLIC," a poem on all the states, by Varnum D. Collins, in Washington Chronicle. Willard's Hotel News

Stand.

DIVIDEND.

The regular quarterly dividend, at the rate of 7 per cent per annum, will be paid FEBRUARY 15, 1896, on the PREFERRED STOCK of the AMERICAN GRAPHOPHONE COMPANY to stockholders of record Feb. 1, 1896.

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THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLDers of the Eastern Building and Loan Association of Washington, D. C., for the election of a board of nine (9) directors, will be held at Herrell's Hall, 650 Penn. ave. s.e., on WEDNESDAY, February 5, 1896, at 7 o'clock p.m.

JAMES W. WHELPLEY, President.

Attest: HENRY K. SIMPSON, Secy. fe4-2t

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.—THE MEMBERS OF

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.—THE MEMBERS OF Equal Lodge, No. 17, will meet at their-hall, No. 623 La. ave., THIS EVENING at 7 o'clock to n-ake arrangements for the funeral of our late brother, Melson. F. J. HENNING, C.C. 1t* W. C. T. U.—SPECIAL MEETING AT HEAD-quarters, 910 F st. n.w., WEDNESDAY AFTER-NOON, at 2 o'clock. Short talks by Mrs. Ritter, Mrs. Crosby, Mrs. Chambers and others. Public invited.

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(McGill building.)

A. A. S. R., SOUTHERN JURISDICTION OF THE United States—Mithras Lodge of Perfection will hold a regular meeting on TUESDAY, February 4, 1896, at 7:30 o'clock p.m., at the Cathedral of the Rite, No. 1007 G st. n.w. Work, 4th and 5th degrees.

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His Mental Condition. Upon the petition of Charles H. Latrobe of Baltimere, Md., Chief Justice Bingham today directed the marshal to summon a jury to inquire into the mental condition of Benj. H. Latrobe.

The petitioner and the alleged insane man are brothers, and the afflicted man is now confined in St. Elizabeth's Asylum, suffering, say Drs. R. E. L. Johnson and George Latimer, from melancholia, with homicidal tendencies, superinduced by thorea of many years' standing. The unfortunate man is a retired Episcopalian minister, which church contributes \$300 annually to ward his support. He owns about \$9,000 worth of railroad bonds, and has an annual income of \$100 from certain Baltimore real estate. His wife is Jennie Estelle Latrobe, and he has a grown son, Lawrence R. La-trobe, living in New York city. The disease incurable, it is explained, and a committee of the person and estate of the af-flicted man is asked to be appointed. Mr. L. Cabell Williamson is the attorney

Swallowed Laudanum.

young colored woman known as Laura Jones, who lives in the disreputable section south of Pennsylvania avenue, swallowed a dose of laudanum last evening, and was unconscious when found in her room by another inmate of the house. She was taken to the Emergency Hospital and this morning she was able to return home.

Expenditures of the District.

Interesting information regarding the anaual amount of money expended by the District of Columbia will be found on page 13 of The Star's Almanac for 1896. 25c. per copy. For sale at all news stands and at The Star office counting rooms.

EYEING ONE ANOTHER

Local Democrats Preparing for the Fight Over Delegates.

PROBABLE CONDITIONS OF CAMPAIGN

The Veterans Will Take Quiet But Effective Part in It.

SOME NOVEL FEATURES

Despite the efforts of the more conservative and far-seeing democrats to keep down the ardent aspirations of their brethren who are looking with longing eyes toward the national convention in Chicago the desire for honors as delegates is causing many of the aspirants to indulge in active campaign work, that is none the less earnest because it is quiet. There is no seething or bubbling in the local Jeffersonian pot at present, but it is very hot, nevertheless, and several gentlemen who have approached it have become satisfied that it is sufficiently so to cook their bacon if they intrust themselves to its mercies. The methods now being pursued are of the buttonholing variety, and there are few democrats in the city who have not been approached by others on behalf of this or that gentleman who wishes to be one of the actable six who will travel westward in July. The men who are known to be good at practical politics are also being approached on the subject and their assistapproached on the subject and their assistance besought when the primaries are to be held. Accordingly, lines are already beginning to be sharply defined, and it may rot be regarded as too broad a statement to say that the local democratic campaign of 1896 is already in progress. The aspirants who have thus far been announced for the race are mostly the younger members of the party, but this fact will not detract from the excitement or liveliness of the fight. the excitement or liveliness of the fight.

Wounds That Arouse Memories. It is well known that there are many wounds among the scarred and grizzled veterans in the local democratic ranks that were not received in open battle with the republican enemy, and it is equally well known that such variety of hurts have a peculiar tendency to get sore whenever the irritating influences of memory are brought into play by an apparent opportunity to get even with those who inflicted them.

Such is the condition in which many of the District democrats find themselves just now. They loudly declare that they have determined to let bygones be bygones, and have forgiven if not forgotten these episodes of the past, but when they protest the most voc!ferously their hands are in their pockets feeling the edges of the keen knives they have whetted for quick use when the occasion arrives. They are grati-fied, too, in the secret recesses of their hearts at the reflection that the occasion is rapidly approaching, and when it does come and the smoke has cleared away from the cigars of the convention there will be some slit coats and creased cuticles among the faithful followers of Andrew Jackson, and heart burnings and blasted hopes enough to fill a modern novel.

Surface Indications Are Deceitful. There is probably no organized section of the democratic party in this country which contains as many factions in proportion to its amplitude as that which exists and is ever defiant in the District of Columbia, and yet there is none that appears so smooth and sympathetic and gregarious on the surface at present. The leaders who have hitherto been in the brunt of the battle declare, with singular unanimity, that they will not take any active personal part in the approaching campaign, but will merely show that interest which every good democrat is expected to exhibit when there's party organization to be arranged. Mr. James L. Norris says he has had enough of political honors and is willing to

Mr. Henry E. Davis, with whom, it will be remembered, Mr. Norris went to Chicago four years ago, and then and there had a ruction over who should be the District member of the national democratic committee, that led to columns of print and reams of recrimination. Mr. Davis, to repeat, declares he will not be a candidate under any circumstances, and Mr. Davis

under any circumstances, and Mr. Davis usually means what he says.

Mr. Albert A. Wilson, being the marshal of the District, cannot, of course, take a decided part in the campaign, and the same holds good of Mr. Dorsey Clagett, the collector of customs, and Major James P. Willett, the city postmaster.

Mr. Lawrence Gardner is too much engaged with the business of the national campaign to give more than close interest of an impersonal sort to the local contest, and Mr. Michael I. Weller, the Napoleon of East Washington, assures his friends that he will merely be a looker-on in Vienna. Then Mr. William Dickson, who has made every personal sacrifice imaginable for his party in the District and been "trun down," as the ward patois has it, with singular and pertinacious frequency by the powers that happened to be by the efforts of him self and those like him, has concluded that a delegateship to a convention is an honor empty of everything except sound.

They Will All Be in It, However. It would strike a careless observer that a campaign of the democratic persuasion with all these factors quiescent would be a very tame and uninteresting affair, but to a man up a tree the field presents promise of sanguinary results despite its pacific present appearance. The gentlemen in question will in all probability desist from question will in all probability desist from active participation in the fray, but generals, seldom get out in front of their armies save when they are going away from the enemy and going fast. Consequently, it need not be taken as hinting at any disparagement of their declarations to suggest that the fine Italian hands of most of them will be felt when the col-umns begin to move.

Indeed it is commonly reported that their nfluences are already at work in preparing the way for cross countering each others' representatives and tripping un-suspecting feet. Echoes from the Sunday club that meets at Dr. Drew's drug store denote that the administration wing of the party in the District will not be as inactive as many people imagine. It is also rumor ed that Mr. James L. Norris will not forget the fact that Mr. Davis secured Mr. Ma-nogue's appointment as collector at Georgetown over that of Mr. Hutchins, who was supported by Mr. Norris, and Messrs, Weller and Gardner have their eyes open in several directions. Another interesting and somewhat novel phase of the contest will be the part to be taken in it by the A. P. A. No one knows what strength they will command, but it is generally admitted that it will be of considerable proportions. So, altogether, the democrats are entering upon a scramble that will be me and in which it will take a prophet of rare

R. M. Henderson of Baltimore shot him self in the side yesterday. Both he and his wife claimed that the shooting was accidental.

power to anticipate the result.

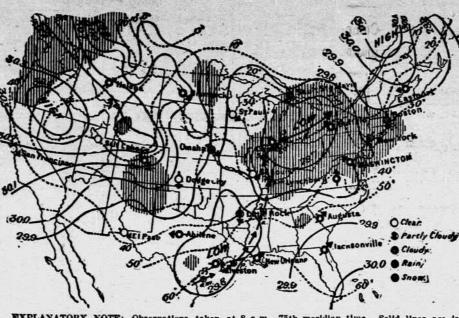
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EXPLANATORY NOTE: Observations taken at 8 a.m., 75th m bars or lines of equal air pressure, drawn for each tenth of an inch. Dotted lines are isotherms or lines of equal temperature, drawn for each ten degrees. Shaded areas are regions where rain or snow has fallen during preceding twelve hours. The words "High" and "Low" show location of areas of high and low barometer. Small arrows fly with the wind.

FAIR TOMORROW.

That is the Prediction Made by the Weather Bureau.

Forecast till 8 p.m., Wednesday-For the District of Columbia, Delaware and Maryland, threatening weather, probably clearing tonight; Wednesday, fair; southeasterly winds, becoming southwesterly. For Virginia and North Carolina, generally

fair tonight and Wednesday; warmer Wednesday; southwesterly winds. Weather conditions and general forecast— The storm in the Missiscippi valley Monday morning has moved northeastward and now covers the lake regions, central over lower

Michigan. Rain or snow has fallen generally in the lake regions, the Onio valley, New England and the middle Atlantic states. and the middle Atlantic states.

The pressure is generally low from the lake regions southwestward to Texas. A storm appears to be developing over the west gulf states. The pressure is high in the Rocky mountain districts. The barometer has fallen in New England, the lake regions and Texas; it has risen in the Ohio valley and generally in Rocky mountain districts.

districts. The changes in temperature have been slight. Snow is indicated for New England and the middle states, with rain in southern por-tions of the same districts tonight and Wed-

For the middle and south Atlantic states

sissippi valley and west gulf states threat-ening weather, with rain tonight or Wednesday.

Rivers—The rivers have risen 1.6 feet at Pittsburg, 3.4 feet at Parkersburg, 3.9 feet at Cairo and 3.0 feet at Nashville.

Tide Table. -Low tide, 5:39 a.m. and 6:20 p.m. high tide, 11:45 a.m.
Tomorrow—Low tide, 6:30 a.m. and 7:18
p.m.; high tide, 0:04 a.m. and 12:38 p.m. The Sun and Moon.

Sun rises, 7:05; sun sets, 5:24. Moon rises, 0:07 a.m. tomorrow. The City Lights.

Gas lamps all lighted by 6:34 p.m.; extinguishing begun at 5:56 a.m. The lighting is begun one hour before the time named. If clear less lighting may be ordered.

Naphtha lamps all lighted by 6:34 p.m.; extinguishing begun at 6:11. The moon schedule does not apply to these lamps.

Public arc lamps lighted at 6:04 p.m. and extinguished at 6:41 a.m. extinguished at 6:41 a.m.

Condition of the Water. Temperature and condition of water at 8 a.m.: Great Falls, temperature, 39; condition, 5. Receiving reservoir, temperature, 39; condition at north connection, 6; condition at south connection, 6. Distributing reservoir, temperature, 39; condition at in fluent gate house, 5; effluent gate house, 4

Range of the Thermometer. The following were the readings of the thermometer at the weather bureau today: 8 a.m., 34; 2 p.m., 39; maximum, 44; mini-

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Explanation of the Flags.

The flags are holsted each day upon the issue of the morning weather map and float until dark. They indicate the weather that may be expected during the following thirty-six hours, but more particularly the last twenty-four hours of that period. They are to be read from the top of the staff downward. If more than one kind of weather is predicted for the period from 8 p.m. to 8 p.m. the conditions first named in the forecast will be represented by the uppermost flag. When a warning of a "cold wave" is included in the forecast message, the cold-wave flag will be displayed below the proper weather flag.

The temperature flag, when placed above numbers 1, 2 or 3, indicates warmer weather; when placed below numbers 1, 2 or 3, indicates colder weather; when not displayed, the indications are that the temperature will remain stationary.

WILL NOT SHOW A PREFERENCE

Its Effect Upon the Boom for Governor Morton.

A THIRD-TERM HINT

The Star yesterday pointed out that the Morton boom was a distinct menace to the Harrison boom in that it was seeking formally to pledge the second choice sentiment of the country. The Harrison people could not move upon this sentiment in their favorite's behalf because he would not permit it. And then they were cherishing the idea that a formal canvass would not be necessary. This sentiment, they were assuming, would show itself untrammeled at convention time, and in case of a deadlock between the leaders easily accomplish the ex-President's nomination. But the Morton boom changed this aspect of things. The policy of its managers developed the necessity of fighting for second choice sentiment no less than for first choice sentiment. In certain quarters, indeed, they began making special play for second choice sentiment. This was a challenge which had to be accepted or declined. It could not safely be ignored. It has been declined, and with dignity.

He States His Own Case

General Harrison, it is true, states his own case precisely as it has several times been stated by intimate friends of his. They have said that he did not desire another nomination to the presidency, and would not enter into a convention contest. He confirms this, and the character of the man forbids even an attempt to trace any reservations or nice distinctions in his language. The statement, it is thought, is full enough—as full as could with propriety have been made. How could the ex-President have said that he would not accept the nomination if tendered him? That would have been ungrateful to the party which has honored him, and in disrespect of the office which he has once held. He would, of course, accept another nomination at the command of the party which has already called him twice to lead-

Out of Presidential Calculations. But his letter takes him entirely out of the presidential calculations. This he knew when he wrote it, and that is the significance attached to it by the politicians. If the situation was different; if the republican outlook were full of danger; if it seemed likely that the St. Louis convention would be forced by reason of a stress of party weather to take on the most experi-enced pilot on the party list, then the fact that Gen. Harrison does not desire to per-form further service might count for very little. The party would have, and would prob-ably exercise, the right to call him to the helm, and insist upon his taking it. But no such situation exists. The feeling is that the sailing will be of the smoothest and easiest. The republican craft is expected to make pert without a bobble; and when, in addition to this, the fact is taken into account that there are some very distinguished and capable skippers anxious for the job, it is considered certain that one of them, and not the skipper who considers himself on the retired list, will be chosen.

Gen. Harrison's Preference. Then naturally arises the question of Gen. Harrison's personal preference as among the known aspirants to the St. Louis nomination. But maybe a more important point relates to whether or not he will in any way make that preference known. The opinion is that he will not-that he

GENERAL HARRISON

vancement, therefore, it is assumed that he will not permit it to be used there in any way whatever. His personal friends in the convention in declaring for this man or that will be voicing their own views and not his. The fact, indeed, that they will not permit it to be used there in any way whatever. His personal friends in the convention in declaring for this man or that will be voicing their own views and not his. The fact, indeed, that they will not permit it to be used there in any way whatever. His personal friends in the convention in declaring for this man or that will be voicing their own views and not his. The fact, indeed, that they will not permit it to be used there in any way whatever. His personal friends in the convention in declaring for this man or that will be voicing their own views and not his. The fact, indeed, that they will not permit it to be used there in any way whatever. His personal friends in the convention in declaring for this man or that will be voicing their own views and not his. The fact, indeed, that they will not permit it to be used there in any way whatever. His personal friends in the convention, will be voicing their own views and not his. The fact, indeed, that they will not permit it to be used there in any way whatever. His personal friends in the convention, will be voicing their own views and not his. The fact, indeed, that they will not permit it to be used there in any way whatever. His personal friends in the convention in declaring for this man or that will be voicing their own views and not his. The fact, indeed, that they will not permit it to be used there in any way way whatever. His personal friends in the convention in declaring for this man or that will be voicing the fact, indeed, that they will not permit it to be used there in any way way was and not his. Harrison's influence with any man's can-

A Third-Term Hint.

Is there a gentle hint in the letter respecting the third-term project? Whether a hint or not, it is thought there is something in the deliverance applicable to the subject. Gen. Harrison thinks that after two indorsements of his name his party-is extitled to a new name. He made an excellent President, and left his party, though defeated, united. His name is very much respected by his party in every section of the country. His renomination would in no degree imperil his party's chances of success at the polis. But he will not permit the further use of his name. Among the other reasons governing him, has he not a feeling that in this country one man ought not to aspire to the highest power ought not to aspire to the highest power too long? For that power to come unsought is one thing; for it to be secured by sought is one thing; for it to be secured by the concerted action of personal friends is another thing. There is a very great dif-ference, it is true, between the republican situation and the democratic situation, but the Constitution, it is suggested, does not require any given number of presidential candidates. If it is true that the democracy has but one available man, that is regarded as an excellent reason why it put up no candidate at all. It ought not to seek to impose its own one-man condition on the impose its own one-man condition on the country at large.

AFFAIRS IN GEORGETOWN.

Local Notes of General Interest Fron Across the Bridge. The funeral of Mr. Aaron T. Bean, a wellknown man, was held this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Lewinsville (Va.) Church. The deceased owned a place a short distance from Langley, on the Georgetown and Leesburg pike. Several weeks ago, while on his way home, his horse became frightened at some object after crossing the Chain bridge, and ran away. Mr. Bean was thrown out the wagon and landed by the roadside, where he was found later by friends and carried home. His left arm was found to be broken, besides the external and internal body injuries. Lockjaw set in, and after lingering in great agony he died Saturday night. His frequent trips into Georgetown gave him an acquaintance with a large number of people. The funeral was held this afternoon, the remains being taken to Lewinsville for interment. The

leceased leaves a widow to mourn his loss. Feast of St. Blaise. In the calendar of the Catholic Church yesterday was the feast of St. Blaise, and at Trinity Catholic Church the day was appropriately celebrated. On account of his wonderful cures while on earth St. Blaise is the patron of the throat, and for years the church has commemorated his great work by blessing the throats of all the on his annual feast days. Services were held last evening at 7 o'clock at Trinity Church, on which occasion men and women and children of all ages tilled the large edifice, braving the inclemency of the weather. Rev. Fathers Scanlon and Roccofort conducted the ceremonles.

Petty Thieving. For some time past petty robberies have been committed with regularity along the river front, to the annoyance of the wharf owners. Rope seemed to be the principal object of the thefts, and when the matter was finally laid before the police the idea was entertained that one man was at the pottom of the plundering. A watch was bottom of the plundering. A watch was kept at the place of the Potomac Stove Company, at the foot of 32d street, which appeared to be the favorite stamping ground for the pilferer. Yesterday morning, while on the lookout, Officer Hileary Smith discovered Edward Cox, a young negro, whom he placed under arrest. No evidence could be secured to convict him of the thefts, so a charge of suspicion was lodged against his name. Notes.

Miss Alice Dale of N street is seriously Ill with typhold fever. Miss Hamilton Tucker and her daughter,

Louise, of 1431 33d street, will be at home Thursdays in February from 3 to 6 p.m.

THE TIME LIMIT

It is Not Satisfactory to the Christian Endeavorers.

MEETINGS OF

Report of Mr. Smith, Chairman of the '96 Committee.

ENCOURAGING OUTLOOK

There is considerable dissatisfaction in Christian Endeavor circles over the action of the railroad trunk line commission which has named the rates and conditions under which tickets will be sold at the time of the convention here in July. No objection whatever is expressed as to the rate offered, but there is conditioned a very brief time limit, and it is with this portion of the terms that the dissatisfaction exists. Tickets are to be good, going, from July 4-6, and returning July 13-17. The convention itself lasts from July 8 to 13, so there is the smallest sort of a margin allowed. A special committee, consisting of Messrs. Foster, Church and Taylor, was appointed to secure the efforts of business people to get the trunk line commission to reconsider its action and have the time limit extended to the 1st of August, at least. Committee of '96.

Three meetings of interest to Christian Endeavorers were held last evening. At 6:30 the regular weekly meeting of the committee of '96 was held at Calvary Church. Offers of their church edifices for convention purposes were received from the societies of the Peck Memorial and First Baptist Churches and from the Epworth League of the Fifteenth Street M. E. Church. Several other chapters of the Epworth League of the District have expressed a desire to co-operate with the Christian Endeavor societies in the reception of delegates to the convention.

A letter was read from the Germantown branch of the Philadelphia C. E. Union, re-

questing that a member of the committee of '96 come to that city to address a rally May 7 in the interests of "Washington, '16." Chairman Smith was unanimously chosen to represent the committee. The second meeting of interest was the regular monthly meeting of the Junior Union, held at the Lutheran Memorial Church, presided over by Rev. E. B. Eagby. Twenty societies were represented A letter was read from the United Society requesting the co-operation of the Junior Union in the arrangement of the program for the junior rally of the international

At 8 o'clock the executive committee of the senior union held its monthly meeting at the Calvary Baptist Church, fifty-one societies being represented. One new society, that at the Vermont Avenue Baptis Church, was received into the union. Mr J. G. Tyssowski of the New York Avenue Presbyterian Church was appointed on the union lookout committee to fill a vacancy. Reports From Union Committees.

The regular monthly reports from the union committees were received. The mis sionary committee reported holding meetings in five different churches during the month, and that it has placed itself in correspondence with several missionaries in China, from whom interesting letters were expected. For the lookout committee it was stated that twenty-nine meetings in as between societies inaugurated. The need of Endeavor work among the soldiers at the arsenal was mentioned and a suggestion made that transient visitors stopping at the various hotels might be invited to attend the service of the nearest C. E. Society to their work in connection with the sing ing at the convention and the getting out the February edition of the Endeavorer, which contained a full report of the pro-ceeding as well as illustrations of the hall and portraits of the speaker.

Chairman Smith's Report.

Mr. W. H. H. Smith, chairman of the committee of '96, read the fifteenth report of the committee, which recited the events that have occurred since the last report. and the progress of preparations for the convention. "We have just been officially notified," the

report said, "that the Trunk Line Pas-senger Association has decided for this convention a rate of one fare per capita for the round trip, tickets to be good going July 4 to 6, and returning July 13 to 17, in clusive. The rate per capita is what it should be, but the time limits for the tickets are very narrow and one-sided. Every interest, local and general,demands that the returning time, at least, should be extended throughout the entire month of July, and the railroads are as much, or even more, concerned in this matter than any other interest. Every effort possible will be made to show the railroads that they should grant the delegations this longer time limit, and it is hoped that they will see that they should deal with this question in the same generous manner as they have with the per capita ticket rate.

The Finance Committee.

"The finance committee has spent a grea deal of time in a painstaking arrangemen for the most careful distribution of the work in making the canvass among our business men for the \$15,000 expected from them for our convention expenses, and a meeting of the auxiliary finance committee has been called for Wednesday evening, February 5, when these plans will be fully set forth and explained, and the work given out for an important and vigorous cam

Church headquarters have been assigned to but four states as yet, but with the information which we now have in hand, and that which we are receiving daily, it is probable that these assignments will all be completed before our next report. We now have thirty-one churches placed at our disposal for convention purposes." A Committee of Clergymen.

It has been decided that a committee o clergymen representing the different denominations shall be appointed, to have charge of the arrangements for the pulpit

appointments for the Sunday of the con-

vention, as may be requested by the churches. Rev. T. S. Hamlin, D.D., was elected chair man'of this committee. It is requested that no private arrangements for pulpit supply for the Sunday of the convention be made by churches, but that all applications be made to this committee.

Christian Endeavor Day.

An interesting feature of the meeting was the receiving of reports from the delegates of the various societies as to how "Christian Endeavor day"-February 2, the birthday of the organization-was celebrated. It was generally reported that the occasion had been observed by a special service, at which the president of the society or the pastor of the church gave a brief review of the his tory of the Christian Endeavor movement its organization and development, and the good it has accomplished in the past, and what it should do in the future. In mos societies also special collections were taken for some missionary object. In some in-stances the society rooms were decorated by the '96 decorating committees. Miss Ran-dolph, superintendent of the Junior Union reported that the juniors had a C. E. birth day cake, in which were placed fifteen can-dles, and as each candle was put into the cake the juniors told of some one good thing Christian Endeavor had done for

meeting of the union, which will be held in the Mount Vernon M. E. Church the 14th instant, on the subject, "Evangelism." In instant, on the subject. Evangelism. In some respects the program is a novel one. The Central Union Mission will be represented by Rev. E. D. Bailey, and the Salvation Army by Staff Captain Blanche Cox. Capt. Dunlap of the Salvation Army, who merits so well known that it seems a work of supererogation to indorse it. Few are the intelligent families who do not keep Castoria within easy reach."

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VALIDITY OF CONTRACT

Washington Beneficial Endowment Association Again in Court.

The Connection With the Commercial Life Insurance Company-Arguments Made Today.

The affairs of the Washington Beneficial Endowment Association were given another airing in court today, when the questions at issue between it and the now dissolved Commercial Life Insurance Company of New York and the beneficiaries of the association were brought to the attention of Chief Justice Bingham in Equity Court No. 1. It will be recalled that August 9, 1894,

the Washington Beneficial Endowment Association entered into a contract with the many societies had been conducted by the committee and the plan of intervisitation ter corporation was to assume the business and liabilities of the local association. among other things, it was argued that the local association should not only convey its business to the New York company, but also its real estate, premises 419 10th street, The announcement of the contract and the proposed transfer of its property and business aroused great and determined opposituation among the stock and policyholders of the local concern, and suits were filed to prevent the execution and consummation of the contract. Finally, the Washington asso ciation was placed in the hands of receivers, and about a year ago the charter of the New York company was annulled and the company dissolved, Wm. T. Gilbert being appointed receiver for it by the New York courts.

The local association, several weeks sub-sequent to the contract, filed a bill in equity against the New York company, praying that the conveyance of its property to the latter be set aside and receivers for it be appointed. In support of these proceedings it was urged by the Washington association that the conveyance was procured through the alleged false and fraudulent representations of the New York concern, which company had stated that it was solvent and well able to continue and assume tion. The receivers finally sold the premise for \$22,000, and the money was put in the registry of the court. Meantime, innumerable suits were filed by heirs-at-law of de ceased policy holders and by policy holders and others, seeking to secure a distribution of the assets. The receiver of the New York company denied the allegations of fraud, and laid claim to the assets of the local as-

In the hearing before Chief Justice Bingham today, the court decided, after consulting the many attorneys representing the various parties, that the first question to be determined was as to the validity of the contract between the Washington and New York corporations, and the case then proceeeded. It is expected that the hearing will continue several days.

SOUTH WASHINGTON.

The Citizens' Association Discusses Some Important Matters.

The South Washington Citizens' Association held a lively meeting last evening in the rooms of the Washington Athletic Club, on South Capitol street. In the absence of the president of the association, Dr. C. C. Winter, Secretary Henry Story called the meeting to order, and Mr. W. W. Hall was elected temporary chairman.

A bill introduced in the House by Congressman Charles E. Coffin of the fifth Maryland district, to remove the navy yard from its present site to the site of the Washington barracks, was the first subject of discussion. Other matters up for consideration were

the proposition to bridge the Eastern branch near the southern terminus of South Capitol street, the discussion of the report of the committee on nuisances, and a resolution indorsing the Home Telephone Company. It was finally decided to indorse Mr. Coffin's effort to move the navy yard and get the bridge bill through. The committee on sewers, through its chairman, Mr. B. Leonard, reported especially in reference to the James Creek, canal, which is characterized as detrimental to health, an eye sore to the community

and the chief cause of the deterioration in value of real estate in that neighborhood. As part of the report, the reply of the Com-missioners, dated January 31, in answer to the committee's communication of a few days previous, was read.

Mr. Story introduced a resolution to the effect that as the Commissioners had neglected to protect the sides of the James Creek canal with fences to prevent persons falling in the "cesspool," that they be re-quested to build steps leading out of the water along the canal wall at intervals

people falling in could climb out. The reso-lution was passed unanimously.

It was decided to hold a special meeting for the consideration of charges against the dispensary located at 517 4½ street

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